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C O N F I D E N T I A L KINGSTON 3561

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PDIP, JM, CU, US
SUBJECT: JULY 4 RECEPTION: VIGNETTES

REFERENCE: KINGSTON 2762

1. ATTENDANCE AT THIS YEAR'S JULY 4 RECEPTION PROVED TO BE AN INTERESTING POLITICAL BAROMETER.

2. CUBAN AMBASSADOR PEZ-FERRO (AND MRS. PEZ-FERRO), INVITED AS DEAN OF THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS, MADE A GREAT DISPLAY OF TELLING OTHER GUESTS HOW DELIGHTED HE WAS TO BE PRESENT AS AMBASSADOR OF CUBA, IN ADDITION TO BEING THERE AS DEAN OF THE CORPS. THEY ARRIVED AT THE OUTSET AND STAYED UNTIL THE END.

3. ALTHOUGH A DENGUE FEVER EPIDEMIC AND A PNP "COMMAND PERFORMANCE" CELEBRATION OF FORMER PM NORMAN MANLEY'S BIRTHDAY COMPETED WITH OUR FUNCTION, A LARGE NUMBER OF GOVERNMENT MINISTERS AND PEOPLE'S NATIONAL PARTY REPRESENTATIVES WERE PRESENT -- INCLUDING SNGQU LEFTISTS WHO HAVE CONFIDENTIAL

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NOT BEEN NEAR THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN YEARS, IF EVER. AMONG THE CABINET MINISTERS PRESENT FOR ENTIRE EVENING WAS FONMIN PATTERSON WHO NORMALLY NEVER ATTENDS NATIONAL DAY RECEPTIONS.

4. AMONG THE CONSPICUOUS ABSENTEES WERE ALL MEMBERS OF THE OPPOSITION JLP WHO HAD BEEN INVITED, INCLUDING THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION, EDDIE SEAGA, AND HIS PARTY

EXECUTIVE. THE BRITISH HAD BEEN TOLD, AND SO HAD WE
THROUGH ONE OF OUR SOURCES, THAT IT WAS A DELIBERATE
BOYCOTT TO EXPRESS DISPLEASURE OVER THE REJECTION OF THIS
EMBASSY OR MRS. CARTER TO ARRANGE FOR A MEETING BETWEEN
MRS. CARTER AND EDDIE SEAGA DURING THE FORMER'S VISIT
TO JAMAICA (SEE REFTEL). THEIR ABSENCE WAS NOTED BY
MANY WHO UNFORTUNATELY ASSUMED THAT THE JLP HAD NOT
BEEN INVITED AS A CONSEQUENCE OF A SHIFT OF USG POLICY.
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